

*** DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY – Northern Arizona Winter Storm Emergency ***

WHEREAS, a winter storm arrived in Arizona on December 29, 2004, bringing excessive amounts of precipitation currently impacting areas of Northern Arizona and is continuing; and

WHEREAS, rivers and creeks are running, overtopping roads, causing road and bridge closures and is impacting utility systems; and

WHEREAS, many Northern Arizona towns and communities have evacuated residents in low lying areas and have opened shelters; and

WHEREAS, Coconino County declared a state of emergency on December 29, 2004, and is requesting assistance from the State; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to declare an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has authorized the expenditure of funds in an event of an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-192;

NOW, THEREFORE I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby determine that the Northern Arizona Winter Storm justifies a declaration of a State of Emergency, pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D), and I do hereby:

- a. Declare that a State of Emergency exists in Coconino County due to the Northern Arizona Winter Storm, effective December 29, 2004 and continuing; and
- b. Direct that the sum of \$200,000 from the general fund be made available to the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to be expended in accordance with A.R.S. § 35-192, A.A.C. R8-2-301 to 321, and Executive Order 79-4; and
- c. Direct that the State of Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan be used to direct and control state and other assets and authorize the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to coordinate state assets; and
- d. Authorize the Adjutant General to mobilize and call to activate all or such part of the Arizona National Guard as is determined necessary to assist in the protection of life and property throughout the State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of
Arizona



J. A. Noyes
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-ninth
day of December in the Year Two Thousand Four and of
the independence of the United States of America the
Two Hundred and Twenty-ninth.

ATTEST: *Kevin P. Tye*

ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE